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Amendments to the Claims under Revised 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Claim 1 (previously presented): A method for ameliorating the harmful effects of TNF in an animal, comprising administering to an animal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a recombinant polypeptide having the ability to bind TNF, wherein said polypeptide is encoded by a nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 3.

Claims 2-22 (cancelled).

Claim 23 (previously presented): A method for ameliorating the harmful effects of TNF in an animal, comprising administering to an animal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a recombinant polypeptide having the ability to bind TNF, wherein said polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 4.

Claims 24-40 (cancelled).

Claim 41 (previously presented): A method for ameliorating the harmful effects of TNF in an animal, comprising administering to an animal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a recombinant polypeptide having the ability to bind TNF, wherein said polypeptide consists of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4.

Claim 42 (previously presented): A method for ameliorating the harmful effects of TNF in an animal, comprising administering to an animal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a recombinant polypeptide having the ability to bind TNF, wherein said polypeptide is nonglycosylated or is glycosylated by a CHO cell, and wherein said polypeptide consists of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4 and an amino-terminal methionine.

Claims 43-44 (cancelled).